



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF CE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67718

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For: BENZIMIDAZOLE COMPOUNDS AND MEDICAMENTS COMPRISING THE SAME

## AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 18, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

## **IN THE CLAIMS**:

## Please enter the following amended claims:

7. (amended) A benzimidazole compound represented by the following formula (II)

or a salt thereof:

 $R^{11} \xrightarrow{N} X^1 - L^1 - N \xrightarrow{R^{13}}$ 

wherein, R<sup>11</sup> represents one or more functional groups on the benzene ring selected from the group consisting of a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, and a lower alkoxy group; R<sup>12</sup> represents a hydrogen atom, an alkyl group, or an acyl group; R<sup>13</sup> represents one or

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